## --- "Series of 1868"- Montreal Division - lithographed in BLACK ink - 490 x 50 mm. ---

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| **1st BABN Contract** (1868-1873) | John McKay reports 763,046 *lithographed* copies of "Black, Cigars" were 'delivered'. These must be Division Open strips, since Division Specific strips were not authorized by the Department until 1874. |
| **2nd BABN Contract** (1873-1878) | John McKay reports 1,412,000 *lithographed* "Black, Cigars" were 'delivered'. Some of these were for the Montreal and Toronto Divisions. |
| **3rd BABN Contract** (1878-1886) | John McKay reports 1,306,111 *lithographed* copies of "Long Black, Cigars" were 'delivered'. He separately lists the delivery of 1,281,907 "Long Black, new, Cigars" from the Series of 1880. |

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| **1st BABN Contract** (1868-1873) - | 763,046 |
| **2nd BABN Contract** (1873-1878) - | 1,412,000 |
| **3rd BABN Contract** (1878-1886) - | 1,306,111 |
| | 3,481,157 |

The highest Division Open control number recorded to date is 1,751,681 (A 751,681) and thus there were approximately 3,481,157 - 1,751,681 = 1,729,476 Division Specific black 1868 cigars.

The catalogue lists the Montreal Division long black 1868 cigar strip as follows:

**RG-65** - Montreal, black, perf 12, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove, 5 mm blue controls, inscribed *Dunbar Browne* with "*.....lbs.*" on the 7th line

**RG-66** - Montreal, black, perf 9, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove, 5 mm blue controls, inscribed *Dunbar Browne* with "*.....lbs.*" on the 7th line

**RG-68** - Montreal, black, perf 9, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove, 5 mm blue controls, without *Dunbar Browne* with "*.....lbs.*" on the 7th line (the Collector's name is blank)

**RG-71** - Montreal, black, perf 9, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove, 5 mm blue controls, inscribed *J. L. Vincent*, with "***M*** *..... lbs.*" on the 7th line

**RG-72** - Montreal, black, perf 9, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove, 5 mm blue controls, inscribed *J. L. Vincent*, with "*.....lbs.*" on the 7th line - **WANTED!**

**RG-91** - Montreal, black, perf 12, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove, 5 mm blue controls, inscribed *J. L. Vincent*, with "*.....lbs.*" on the 7th line, without "**XXXI VICT. / CAP. VIII**" at the sides

**RG-92** - Montreal, black, perf 9, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove, 5 mm blue controls, inscribed *J. L. Vincent*, with "*.....lbs.*" on the 7th line, "**XXXI VICT. / CAP. VIII**" deleted - **WANTED!**

| | ultimate control | estimated |
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| Division Open - | 1,751,681 | 1,800,000 |
| Montreal Division - | 840,752 | 900,000 |
| Hamilton Division - | 162,263 | 250,000 |
| Toronto Division - | 300,687 | 400,000 |
| Windsor Division - | 059,023 | 100,000 |
| | 3,114,406 | 3,450,000 |

## --- RG-65 - “Series of 1868”- Montreal Division - 2nd BABN Contract - 1874-1877 ---

**--- in BLACK on *unwatermarked* horizontal mesh wove - perforated 12 - *without* the imprints ---**

**--- inscribed “XXXI VICT. / CAP. VIII” at the sides - 490 x 50 mm. - 5 mm. blue controls ---**

**--- “..... *lbs.*” on the 7th line - inscribed** *Dunbar Browne* / **Collector I.R. ---**

★**RG-65** - Cigars, black, Montreal Division, perf 12, control **114993**, on *unwmkd* horizontal mesh wove, dated *5 - 76* in September 1876, by Licensee # *15*, for *1⅛* lbs. of cigars, inscribed *Dunbar Browne* / **Collector I.R.**

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| **010292**★ | | RG-65 | Montreal Division, perf 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh wove |
| **010295** ○ | | RG-65 | Montreal Division, perf 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh wove |
| **054361** | | RG-65 | Montreal Division, perf 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh wove |
| **095543** | 06/76 | RG-65 | Montreal Division, perf 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh wove, dated *23 - 76*, used by Licensee # *15*, for *1* lb. of cigars |
| **095552** ★ | 06/76 | RG-65 | Montreal Division, perf 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh wove, dated *23 - 76*, used by Licensee # *15*, for *1* lb. of cigars, with a bottom end ‘paper fold’ in the lithograph |
| **114993**★ | 09/76 | RG-65 | Montreal Division, perf 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh wove, dated *5 - 76*, used by Licensee # *15*, for *1⅛* lbs. of cigars |
| **131998** ★ | | RG-65 | Montreal Division, perf 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh wove |
| **179425** | 06/77 | RG-65 | Montreal Division, perf 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh wove, dated *23 - 77*, on a box of **Non Plus Ultra** cigars, used by Licensee # *8*, for ½ lb. of cigars |

★**RG-65n** - Cigars, black, Montreal Division, perf 12, without control numbering, on *unwmkd* horizontal mesh wove, inscribed *Dunbar Browne* / **Collector I.R.**

## --- RG-66 - "Series of 1868"- Montreal Division - 2nd BABN Contract - 1877-1878 ---

**--- in BLACK on *unwatermarked* horizontal mesh wove - *perforated 9* - without imprints ---**

**--- inscribed "XXXI VICT. / CAP. VIII" at the sides - 490 x 50 mm. - 5 mm. blue controls ---**

**--- "..... *lbs.*" on the 7th line - inscribed** *Dunbar Browne* / **Collector I.R. ---**

★**RG-66** - Cigars, black, Montreal" Division, control **255929**, perf 9, on *unwmkd* horizontal mesh wove, dated *13 - 78* in January 1878, by Licensee # *19*, for *1* and *5/16* pounds of cigars, inscribed *Dunbar Browne* / **Collector I.R.**

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| **205037** | 05/77 | RG-66 | Montreal Division, perf 9, unwmkd horizontal mesh wove, dated *21 - 77*, by Licensee # *3*, for ..... *1.40* ***lbs***. cigars |
| **255929**★ | 01/78 | RG-66 | Montreal Division, perf 9, unwmkd horizontal mesh wove, dated *13 - 78*, by Licensee # *19*, for ..... *1*and *5/16* ***lbs***. cigars |

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**--- RG-68 - *without*** *Dunbar Browne* / **Collector I. R. ---**

★**RG-68** - Cigars, black, Montreal Division, control **460189**, perf 9, on *unwmkd* horizontal mesh wove, dated *21 - 79* in May 1879 by Licensee # *3*, for 1 pound of cigars - the **Collector I.R.** ***spot is blank***

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| **460189** ★ | 05/79 | RG-68 | Montreal Division, perf 9, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove, dated *21 - 79* in May 1879 by Licensee # *3*, for *1* lb. of cigars, the inscribed *Dunbar Browne* / **Collector I.R.** has been blanked |

Chris Ryan reports that ***Dunbar Browne*** succeeded ***P. Durnford*** as Collector at Montreal on June 1st 1874 and held the post until January 31st 1879, when ***J. L. Vincent*** became the *Acting Collector*, and *Dunbar Browne* left under allegations of fiscal irregularities. ***J. L. Vincent*** was finally named *Primary Collector* on May 1st 1879.

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## --- RG-71 - "Series of 1868"- Montreal Division - 3rd BABN Contract - 1879 ---

**--- in BLACK on *unwatermarked* horizontal mesh wove - perforated 9 - *without* imprints ---**

**--- inscribed "XXXI VICT. / CAP. VIII" at the sides - 490 x 50 mm. - 5 mm. blue control numbers ---**

**--- "*M* ..... *lbs.*" on the 7th line - inscribed** *J.L. Vincent* / **Collector I. R. ----**

★**RG-71** - Cigars, black, Montreal Division, control **496644**, perf 9, on *unwmkd* horizontal mesh wove, dated *4 - 79* in August 1879, Licensee # *15*, on *1⅛* pounds - inscribed *J.L. Vincent* / **Collector I. R.**

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| **494602**★ | 08/79 | RG-71 | Montreal Division, perf 9, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove, dated *3 - 79* in August 1879, Licensee # *8*, for *1* and *1/16* pounds on a box of one hundred **La Rosa - Concha** cigars |
| **496644**★ | 08/79 | RG-71 | Montreal Division, perf 9, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove, dated *4 - 79* in August 1879, Licensee # *15*, on *1⅛* pounds |

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**--- RG-72 - with "..... *lbs.*" on the 7th line - inscribed** *J.L. Vincent* / **Collector I. R. - WANTED! ---**

**RG-72** - Cigars, black, Montreal Division, control **556577**, perf 9, on *unwmkd* horizontal mesh wove, dated *13 - 80* in January 1880, Licensee # *13*, on *1⅛* pounds - ***from the Fritz Angst collection***

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| **556577** ○ | 01/80 | RG-72 | Montreal Division, perf 9, on unwmkd horizontal mesh wove, dated *13 - 80* in January 1880, Licensee # *13*, on *1⅛* pounds |

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## --- RG-91 - “Series of 1880”- Montreal Division – 1880-81 ---

**--- in BLACK on *unwatermarked* horizontal mesh wove - <u>perforated 12</u> - without imprints ---**

**--- *without* “XXXI VICT. / CAP. VIII” at the sides - 490 x 50 mm. - 5 mm. blue controls ---**

**--- “..... *lbs.*” on the 7th line - inscribed** *J. L. Vincent* / **Collector I. R. ---**

Chris Ryan, “Canadian Revenue Newsletter”, No. 40, in December 2002

“Passage of the 1880 Statute affected the *large* tobacco stamps in significant ways. The first effect was the deletion of the reference on the stamps to the previous Statute “XXXI VICTORIA / CHAPTER VIII”. On July 1st 1880, BABN was instructed by the Revenue Department to remove all reference to the old statute from the existing printing plates”.

★**RG-91** - Cigars, black, Montreal Division, control **725677**, perf 12, on *unwmkd* horizontal mesh wove, dated *23 - 81* in June 1881, by Licensee # *15*, for *100* cigars weighing *1.35* pounds

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| **725677**★ | 06/81 | RG-91 | Montreal Division, perf 12, unwmkd horizontal mesh wove, dated *23 - 81* by Licensee # *15*, manuscript *1/10 1.35* pounds |
| **840752** ○ | 06/81 | RG-91 | Montreal Division, perf 12, unwmkd horizontal mesh wove, dated *23 - 81* by Licensee # *15*, manuscript *1/10 1.35* pounds |

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The collection contains the following copy of the <u>perforated 9</u> strip **RG-92n**. A control-numbered copy of **RG-92** is **WANTED!**

★**RG-92n** - Cigars, black, Montreal Division, without control numbering, perf 9, on *unwmkd* horizontal mesh wove **-★** ***two normal copies***

## --- RG-92n - “Series of 1880”- Montreal Division – 1880-81 ---

**--- in BLACK on *unwatermarked* horizontal mesh wove - <u>perforated 9</u> - without imprints ---**

**--- *without* “XXXI VICT. / CAP. VIII” at the sides - 490 x 50 mm. - without control numbering ---**

**--- “..... *lbs.*” on the 7th line - inscribed** *J. L. Vincent* / **Collector I. R. ---**

★**RG-92n** - Cigar, black, “Montreal” Division, perf 9 (clipped), *without* control numbering,
on *unwmkd* horizontal mesh wove, *kiss-printing* on “**LICENSE** / *When Excised* / **CIGARS” - *one copy***

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